

## REV. JAMES NELSON THEIR HONOR GUEST

Baptist Pastors Give Luncheon for Retiring President of Woman's College.

REPLIES TO SEVERAL TOASTS

Founded Institution Twenty-Four Years Ago—One of First Advocates of Equal Educational Opportunities for Men and Women.

On his retirement from active work as the head of the Woman's College, which next year will be merged with Westhampton College, a luncheon was given yesterday to Rev. James Nelson, D. D., who for twenty-four years has been president of the school.

The luncheon was given in Murphy's Hotel by the Baptist Pastors' Conference. Rev. R. H. Pitt, D. D., presided. There were several toasts to Dr. Nelson, to which he responded.

Those present were Governor H. C. Stuart, H. R. Pollard, Sr., Dr. J. A. C. Skinner and Revs. W. Thorburn Clark, T. C. Skinner, R. H. Rudd, Mr. Wright, J. J. Parsons, C. A. Jenkins, Alfred Bagby, Lloyd T. Wilson, C. P. Ryland, W. E. Gibson, J. R. Johnson, George W. McDaniel, J. E. Love, T. H. Ray, J. J. Wicker, Mr. Penick, of Africa, and Dr. Nelson.

Dr. Nelson founded the Woman's College twenty-four years ago, beginning with fifteen boarding students. Since that time the school has had at one time 300 girls. Dr. Nelson was one of the first men in Virginia to advocate equal educational opportunities for men and women, and it was he who first obtained an appropriation for a normal school. Forty years ago he caused the consent of \$500 for a State normal school at Farmville, winning his fight by a majority of two votes. At the last session of the General Assembly the school received an appropriation of \$125,000.

The present session of the Woman's College will be its last, for hereafter it will become part of Westhampton College, a school for girls established on the Richmond College Foundation.

Three judgments were entered yesterday in the Law and Equity Court. In the first, the court granted a judgment for \$343; in the second, a judgment for \$343; and in the third, a judgment for \$343.

## UNPRECEDENTED DEMAND FOR TICKETS AT CHICAGO

Already 40,000 Applications Received. While There Are Only 12,000 for Distribution.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Officials of the Republican National Convention, which meets here on June 7, declared today that the demand for tickets to the gathering is unprecedented. Although the convention is three weeks away, 40,000 applications have been received for tickets, of which there are but 12,000.

Following the usual custom, delegates from each town will have to look to their national committee men from their home State for tickets. The 12,000 tickets will be distributed under the following delegate arrangements:

Delegates, 991; guest tickets, one to each delegate, 991; alternates, 991; press, 65; Chicago share as convention city, 2,210; ten members subcommittee on an arrangement of the National Republican Committee, 200 each, 2,000; fifty-three members National Republican Committee, 150 to 200 each, 4,367; presidential candidates and other distinguished guests, 200.

There will be 3,400 seats on the main floor and 2,600 in the balcony and special mezzanine. The temporary chairman and other officers of the convention and their assistants and members of the national committee will occupy seats on the speaker's platform, at the south end of the Coliseum. Back of the speaker's platform will be 2,000 seats for distinguished guests. On each side of the platform will be 500 seats for working newspaper men. The delegates will occupy the seats directly in front of the speaker's stand, and back of them will be the alternates. The rest of the seats on the main floor will be reserved for visitors.

Sergeant-at-Arms Williams, of Boston, has announced the following ministers will open the sessions:

Wednesday, June 7.—Rev. John Timothy Stone, pastor Fourth Presbyterian Church, Chicago.

Thursday, June 8.—Rev. Francis C. Kelly, president of the Catholic Church Extension Society, Chicago.

Friday.—Bishop William F. McDowell, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago.

Saturday.—Dr. Gerson B. Levi, Congregation Bnai Shalom, Temple Israel, Chicago.

Sunday.—Rev. William O. Waters, rector Grace Episcopal Church, Chicago. The committee has had tickets printed for six-day sessions.

## BODIES FOUND IN RIVER

Two Young Aviators Had Been Missing Since Machine Was Wrecked in Potomac.

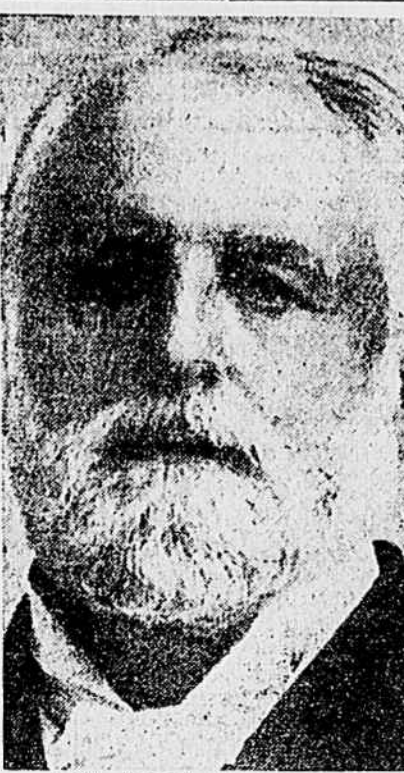
ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 15.—The bodies of Charles A. Good, a student aviator, and Louis Krantz, a mechanic, missing from the hydroaeroplane H-7 after it was wrecked on Thursday by a plunge into the Potomac near Mount Vernon, were found in the river today near Indian Head. They were brought to Alexandria tonight.

Good's home was in Elyria, O. Krantz was employed by the Atlantic Coast Aeronautical Station, at Newport News.



AN ABSENTEE.  
Bangs—I never see you at the ball games any more.  
Whang—No. The way the home team is playing now, I find it less depressing to read about the games than to see them.

## Honor Guest at Luncheon



REV. JAMES NELSON, D. D.

## COLONEL MAKES IT CLEAR THAT HE IS CANDIDATE

Sends Message of Greeting and Confidence to Voters of Middle West.

HIS HEADQUARTERS OPENED

Roosevelt Nonpartisan League Begins Active Work to Secure His Nomination at Chicago—Thomas A. Edison on Advisory Board.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] OYSTER BAY, N. Y., May 15.—Colonel Roosevelt to-night sent a message of greeting and confidence to the voters of the Middle West. In this latest message, Mr. Roosevelt makes clear that he is a candidate for the presidential nomination on the terms which he has heretofore outlined.

Informed by Edwin C. Larned that Western headquarters of the Roosevelt Nonpartisan League have been opened at 25 East Monroe Street, Chicago, the Colonel sent the following dispatch to Mr. Larned, who will be in charge of the league's work in the West.

"I thank you for your kind telegram. I appreciate the opening of the league headquarters in Chicago. You have doubtless already seen my letter to the league."

"Surely the great Middle West, the West which Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses Grant typified in the Civil War, will now take the lead in the movement for genuine Americanism, and for national preparedness, without which Americanism would be an empty boast. 'THEO. ROOSEVELT.'"

## EDISON ACCEPTS POSITION

Following his declaration in favor of Roosevelt for President last week, Thomas A. Edison today accepted a position on the advisory board of the Roosevelt Nonpartisan League.

Colonel Roosevelt was informed of this active participation of Mr. Edison in a campaign for his nomination by Guy Emerson, secretary, and Thomas C. Desmond, treasurer of the league, who called on him this afternoon. Mr. Emerson brought with him the original letter of Mr. Edison endorsing Roosevelt, which the Colonel desires to hand down to his family.

The two league officials also brought enthusiastic reports of the progress of the league's work.

"As an illustration of what we are accomplishing," said Mr. Emerson, "today's mail brought us the names of 1,231 new members, of whom 719 are contributors to the cause. Contributions amounting to \$2,083 were also received in the same mail, the largest single contribution being a check for \$500, which came from Kansas. This is one day's mail of the league which has been in operation now a brief five weeks."

In addition to Mr. Edison, whose letter endorsing Colonel Roosevelt was the first public political declaration he ever made, and who is actively engaged in political work now for the first time in his life, were also added to our advisory committee the name of A. R. Erskine, president of the Studebaker Company, of South Bend, Ind. Up to now, Mr. Erskine has been a Democrat.

Threw Gasoline on Man, the Charge.—Ben Wilkinson, colored, was arrested yesterday by Policeman Walker on a warrant charging him with throwing gasoline on Joshua Johnson. Wilkinson is alleged to have thrown the explosive oil on Johnson in a pressing shop where the men had a quarrel.

## DIES WHILE FEELING PLEADING

FOR RIGHT OF HIS CHILDREN

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

BRISTOL, Va., May 15.—Paris McConnell, thirty-three years old, recently pardoned from the State Penitentiary by Governor Stuart that he might be with his family in his last hours, died here at noon today while feeling pleading for his children to be brought to him. The children were wired for, but failed to arrive. McConnell's aged father, W. S. McConnell, a highly respected citizen of Nickelsville, Scott County, arrived five minutes too late to see his son alive. Paris McConnell was sent up for killing a friend and neighbor named Meade. McConnell declared to the last that he was intoxicated and unconscious of killing Meade.

## DEATHS IN VIRGINIA

Miss Mary Christina Barnitz.

WYTHEVILLE, Va., May 15.—The body of Miss Mary Christina Barnitz, who died at Jefferson Hospital, Roanoke, yesterday afternoon, following an operation for appendicitis, was brought to Wytheville this morning. Miss Barnitz was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnitz, of this place, and a niece of Edmund Pendleton and grand-niece of General Pendleton, chief of artillery for General Robert E. Lee. She was a student in the high school here, and president of her class. The funeral will take place to-morrow at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon from St. John's Episcopal Church, of which she was a member.

Miss Arabella Faulconer.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LYNCHBURG, Va., May 15.—Miss Arabella Faulconer, aged eighteen years, who was a daughter of Mrs. A. M. Faulconer, died at her home at Cool Well this morning.

Robert L. Hensley.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LYNCHBURG, Va., May 15.—Robert L. Hensley, forty-nine years old, died on Sunday at the Lynchburg Hospital.

## METHODIST COMMITTEE INDORSES UNIFICATION

Proposal Will Be Made Special Order at Saratoga Springs Conference To-Day.

BEEN SEPARATED SINCE 1845

Union of Northern and Southern Branches Favored in Belief That It Would "Hasten Development of Unity World Church."

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., May 15.—The proposal to reunite the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which have been separated since 1845, will be made the order of special business at to-morrow's session of the Methodist General Conference.

The report of the special committee on federation, presented to-day, endorsed the proposed unification, in the belief that such union would "hasten the development of a truly world church." The report recommends that the general conference be the supreme governing body of the reunited church, and that the plan of unification be extended to any other Methodist bodies that may desire it, after the amalgamation of the North and South branches of the denomination has become effective. The report favors the organization of special conferences for the colored membership of the church, such as negro conferences to be represented in the general conference.

Under the plan suggested by the special committee on federation, the board of bishops would appoint a commission of five bishops, ten ministers and ten laymen to confer with commissioners of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church, and other Methodist bodies in the United States to work out the tentative plan that has been proposed, and in carrying forward such negotiations as shall result in the proposed unification, and to report to the next general conference, the full details of the unification plan agreed upon by the joint commissioners.

## RECOMMENDS RETENTION OF EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES

The episcopacy committee recommended the retention of Episcopal residences at New Orleans, Atlanta, Chattanooga, Washington, Boston, Philadelphia, New York, San Francisco, Denver, Portland, Ore.; Chicago, Cincinnati, Buffalo, Omaha, St. Louis, Helena, Mont., and St. Paul. The residence at Kansas City, Kans., would be transferred to Wichita, Kans.; that at Oklahoma City would be discontinued, and new residences established at Pittsburgh, Pa.; Detroit, Mich., and Seoul, Korea.

Foreign Episcopal areas would be continued at Zurich, Buenos Aires and Peking, and the Foochow residence would be transferred to Shanghai.

After long discussion the conference voted to recommend the report without instructions.

## ON ADVISORY BOARD

Another report of the episcopacy committee recommending that Northern Africa be associated with Europe for Episcopal supervision was adopted. Rev. F. B. Chappell, of Nashville, Tenn., fraternal delegate from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in an address, urged an early amalgamation of the various branches of Methodism. Bishop E. H. Hendrick, of the Southern Church, was introduced to the conference to-day, and was greeted with prolonged applause.

## TWO VIGOROUS CONTESTS FORECAST IN CONFERENCE

Two vigorous contests in the general conference were forecast to-night by the announcement that the committee on episcopacy had voted to make a supplemental report recommending a further increase in the number of new bishops to be elected, and that the committee on the state of the church had decided against striking from the requirements for church membership the prohibition against theaters, cards and dancing. Both recommendations, it was predicted by conference leaders, would meet with much opposition.

The original report of the episcopacy committee presented to the conference to-day, urged the election of seven new bishops or general superintendents, which would increase by two the membership of the board of bishops authorized by the general conference at Minneapolis four years ago. It was recommended also that the Oklahoma Episcopal area be abolished, and that new areas be created at Pittsburgh, Pa., Indiana, Mich., and Seoul, Korea. The committee also urged that two missionary bishops, one of them a negro, should be chosen to supervise the work in Africa formerly in charge of the two missionary bishops, retired.

Debate in the conference developed a sentiment against any increase in the overhead expense of maintaining the board of bishops by the addition of new members, and the conference recommended the report to the episcopacy committee.

The conference at a special meeting in the afternoon finally voted, 13 to 37, to recommend the election of seven bishops, with powers of general superintendents, and a missionary bishop for Singapore, in addition to the two missionary bishops for Africa. The amusement question came up for action to-day in the committee on the state of the church, which adopted a minority report of a subcommittee which had deliberated on the matter. The majority of the subcommittee, headed by Chancellor James A. Day, of Syracuse University, recommended that prohibition of theaters, dancing and games of cards be eliminated, while the minority recommended that the discipline remain unchanged. The vote of the full committee in favor of the minority report was 113 to 43.

The committee on Hierarchy voted to recommend an increase in the pensions paid to widows of retired ministers. The Hierarchy committee also received a subcommittee's recommendation that women be licensed as local preachers, but recommended the measure to the subcommittee. It was understood that this question would not get before the conference.

## Buried With Military Honors.

NEW YORK, May 15.—National Guardsmen and Spanish War veterans attended the funeral services here today of Stephen A. Cole, one of the American soldiers killed when bandits raided Glenn Springs, Texas, recently. Military honors were observed.

## To Render Sacred Cantata.

"Jephthah and His Daughter," a sacred cantata, will be sung at Cowardin Avenue Christian Church, in South Richmond, to-night at 8:15 o'clock. The cast will include several prominent vocal soloists, assisted by a chorus of fifty voices, under the direction of Mrs. F. W. Long. The proceeds will go toward the building fund of the church.

## RURAL CREDITS BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE

Little Opposition Encountered to Measure, Which Is Piloted Through by Glass, of Virginia—Differences With Senate to Be Worked Out in Conference.

## Glass Praises Attitude of Virginia Farmers

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Speaking of the result to-night, Mr. Glass said he was especially gratified at the behavior of the Virginia farmers' union, "I feel proud of the really sensible way in which Messrs. Thornhill and Bowles, as representatives of the Virginia farmers, conducted themselves. They refused to be led off after preposterous and altogether 'foolish printing-press' schemes of issuing flat notes on long-term mortgages, and stuck to sound principles throughout the fight. This stilly and passionate rabble of demagogues made no impression on them. They conferred with me constantly on every material feature of the measure and displayed the finest common sense and the best discrimination. I believe the firm stand of these representatives of Virginia farmers helped to overcome and discredit the vociferous and wild attempts of the professional agitators to encumber the rural credits bill with a lot of rubbish that would have compelled the President to veto it."

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The Glass rural credits bill, providing for a Federal rural loan board, and a system of twelve land banks, passed the House to-day, by a vote of 255 to 10. A similar measure already has passed the Senate, and the differences probably will be worked out soon in conference.

## Little opposition was encountered by the bill, which was piloted through the House by Representative Glass, of Virginia, and Representative Phelan, of Massachusetts. Under its terms, the

land banks would lend money to farmers at not more than 6 per cent interest through local loan associations on mortgages running from five to thirty-six years. The mortgages would be used by the rural banks as loan bonds.

There are several differences between the House and Senate measures to be adjusted. The Senate's bill would capitalize the association at \$25,000,000, while the House's calls for \$50,000,000. The Senate would authorize loan associations with unlimited liability; the House would not. The Senate would limit loans on lands to 50 per cent, with no recognition of improvements; the House proposes to grant 60 per cent on land values and 20 per cent of value on permanent improvements.

The Senate proposed that no loan shall be made if the three members of the local loan committee are not unanimous in their appraisal; the House would require majority report of the committee. The Senate makes a minimum loan of \$200, the House of \$100. The Senate would charge borrowers 10 per cent on all deferred payments; the House would charge only contract rates. The Senate would require local associations to take good all deficits within thirty days after notice from a local bank; the House would provide a special reserve to protect associations.

## SOME OTHER DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TWO MEASURES

The Senate bill requires advance payments on the principal in sums of \$100 or multiples and the House \$25 or multiples. The Senate makes the actual earning power the basis, and the House makes the agricultural plan the principal basis of appraisal. Under the Senate bill, local associations would be required to hold 25 per cent of net earnings in reserve and declare any dividends to borrowers, while the House would require all net earnings to be paid to borrowers as dividends.

With the passage of the rural credits bill, Democratic House leaders prepared to bring the administration ship-bill up for consideration beginning to-morrow. A rule to limit general debate on the measure to five hours and to provide for a final vote on it on Friday evening will be presented.

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## PREPAREDNESS MEASURES ARE SIGNED BY WHITMAN

ALBANY, N. Y., May 15.—Five preparedness measures became law to-day by receiving the signature of Governor Whitman. He signed them after a public hearing, at which men and women representatives of peace organizations strongly opposed much of the legislation.

The Governor later is expected to sign the appropriation of \$500,000 for the mobilization this summer, or whenever an emergency exists, of all the State troops.

The measures signed to-day were: The Walsh-Slater bill, authorizing the board of regents to inaugurate a course of compulsory physical training for all public and private school pupils more than eight years old.

A companion measure providing for the compulsory military training of all male youths of the State between sixteen and nineteen years of age, except those regularly employed as a means of livelihood.

The Stivers bill, authorizing the Governor to order an enrollment of all male citizens between eighteen and forty-five. From this list he may draft at any time to bring the National Guard up to full strength.

The Stivers bill, authorizing a reorganization of the naval militia, generally amending the military law, generally, with a view to increasing the number and efficiency of the active defense forces.

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